### MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE

#### OF THE

#### EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

# March 6, 2015

A meeting of the Disability Subcommittee of the Rhode Island Retirement Board (hereinafter "Committee") was held on March 6, 2015 in the Board Room of the Employees' Retirement System, 50 Service Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island.

The following Committee members were present: William Finelli; Michael Boyce; Daniel Beardsley; Michael Sligar and Amy Crane.

Also in attendance were: Michael Robinson, General Counsel; Dr. Christopher Ley, Medical Advisor; Gayle Mambro-Martin and Frank Karpinski, Employees' Retirement System.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Recognizing a quorum, Chairperson William Finelli called the meeting to order at 9:12 A.M.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

A draft of the February 6, 2015 meeting minutes were mailed to the Committee members for review, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce, it was:

**VOTED** To approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2015.

### **HEARINGS**

Herminia Collado Teacher, Providence School Department. (estimated service credits 15 years, 15 days)

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Ms. Boyce:

**VOTED:** Moved to Postpone.

**Rosendo Vicioso** Teacher, Providence School Department.

(Estimated service credits 11 years, 3 months)

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To Postpone to the June 5, 2015 Disability

Subcommittee meeting.

**Bruce Smith** Teacher, Providence School Department.

(Estimated service credits 15 years, 11 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. Smith's application for an ordinary disability

retirement

**Kevin Lang** Firefighter, Cranston Fire Department.

(Estimated service credits 17 years, 3 months, 23

days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Sligar and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To reaffirm the decision of September 10, 2014

**denying** Mr. Lang's application for an accidental disability pension. Mr. Beardsley voted yes.

Mr. Finelli and Mr. Boyce voted Nay.

## ORDINARY MATTERS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED

Magdalene Solomon Guidance Counselor, Cranston Public School

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Sligar:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board advise

Ms. Solomon's employer that she be put on their

recall list pursuant to RIGL §16-16-19.

Leo Lamarre Teacher, Woonsocket School Department.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To accept the IME report that Mr. Lamarre is still

disabled.

# ACCIDENTAL MATTERS PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED

Frederick Lataille Utility Worker, Cranston School Department.

(Estimated service credits 24 years, 4 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. Lataille's application for an accidental

disability.

**David Cuccorelli** Water Division Utility Person, city of Woonsocket.

(Estimated service credits 4 years, 2 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. Cuccorelli's application for an accidental

disability retirement.

#### ORDINARY MATTERS PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED

Anna Smith Health Services Regulation Licensing Aide II, RI

Department of Health. (Estimated service credits

16 years, 10 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Ms. Smith's application for an ordinary disability

retirement.

**Dennis Falso** Principal Computer Operator, DOA/DOIT.

(Estimated service credits 18 years, 9 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. Falso's application for an ordinary disability

retirement.

### **ACCIDENTAL - NEW**

Joseph Cuozzo Deputy Sheriff II, Department of Public safety

Sheriffs Division. (Estimated service credits 22

years, 2 month)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board

Postpone a decision on Mr. Cuozzo's application

for an accidental disability pension.

#### ORDINARY MATTERS PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Sligar and seconded by Mr. Boyce, it was:

**VOTED:** To deliberate upon Mr. Lincourt application out of

sequence.

**Robert Lincourt** Firefighter, North Providence Fire Department.

(Estimated service credits 6 years, 1 month)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Sligar:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Deny** Mr.

Lincourt's application for an ordinary disability pension. Ms. Crane voted yes. Mr. Boyce and Mr.

Finelli voted Nay.

**ACCIDENTAL - NEW** 

**Robert Carpenter** Superintendent of State Piers, Department of

Environmental Management. (Estimated service

credits 19 years, 3 months, 17 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. Carpenter's application for an accidental disability retirement pursuant to Rhode Island General Law § 36-10-15 (b) for 50 % of his compensation at the time of his retirement. Mr.

Beardsley voted Nay.

Kathleen Gince Teacher Assistant, Woonsocket Education

Department. (Estimated service credits 16 years, 8

months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board

**Postpone** a decision on Ms. Gince's application for

an accidental disability pension.

Manuel Dasilva Deputy Sheriff, Rhode Island Division of Sheriffs..

(Estimated service credits 11 years, 7 months, 10

days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. Dasilva's application for an accidental disability retirement pursuant to Rhode Island General Law §

36-10-15 (b) for 50 % of his compensation at the

time of his retirement.

Micheal Ray Firefighter, Cranston Fire Department. (Estimated

service credits 12 years, 10 months, 13 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board

Postpone a decision on Mr. Ray's application for

an accidental disability pension.

ORDINARY - NEW

Frank DeSimone Special Education Teacher, North Providence

School Department. (Estimated service credits 23

years, 8 months, 8 days)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Ms. Crane and seconded by Ms. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Mr. DeSimone's application for an ordinary

disability retirement.

**Daniel Desenna** Social Case Worker, DCYF. (Estimated service

credits 15 years, 8 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Ms. Crane:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Deny** 

Mr. Desenna's application for an ordinary disability

pension. Mr. Boyce voted Nay.

Nancy Mcgee Special Education Aide, Pawtucket School

Department. (Estimated service credits 13 years,

4 months)

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical

reports submitted by physicians retained by the Retirement System, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley:

**VOTED:** To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** 

Ms. Mcgee's application for an ordinary disability

retirement.

<u>Agenda</u> Jacqueline Lee – Post Retirement employment

Robert Lincourt – Timeliness of new accidental

disability application.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Crane and seconded by Mr. Sligar it was unanimously:

**VOTED** To adjourn the meeting at 1:09 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle C. Mambro-Martin, Esq.

GCM: gsb

March 27, 2015